

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: **D. Merkel, et al.**

Examiner: **N. Nguyen**

Application No.: **10/620,018**    **Conf. 8618**

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For: **METHODS OF PURIFYING HYDROGEN FLUORIDE**

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) AND  
REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED MARCH 21, 2007**

Dear Sir:

This Reply and attached RCE are being filed in response to the final Office Action dated March 21, 2007, having a two-month extended period for reply set to expire August 21, 2007. Included herewith is a request for a two-month extension of time and credit card payment of the required fees. Also included is payment of the required RCE fee and the fee for Applicant's request for suspension of action. If any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Reply to Deposit Account No. 19-5425.

Please amend the claims as set forth being on page 2 of this correspondence.  
Applicant's remarks begin on page 3.